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Mailing Date: February 13, 2019

Robert Delaware
MuckRock News
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PSP/RTKL Request N° 2019-0132

Dear Mr. Delaware:

On February 6, 2019, the Pennsylvania State Police (PSP) received your request for information pursuant to the Pennsylvania Right-to-Know Law (RTKL), 65 P.S. §§ 67.101 - 3104, wherein you state:

Respectfully, this is a request for the release of the original Surveillance video from the Dale Kerstetter disappearance in September of 1987. The Pennsylvania State Police is in possession of a grainy surveillance video from 1987 that shows the last known footage of Dale Kerstetter, along with a masked man who is suspected in robbing platinum from Corning Glassworks factory.

Under the RTKL, a written response to your request is due on or before February 13, 2019.

Under the provisions RTKL section § 67.902(b)(2), you are hereby notified that your request is being reviewed and the PSP will require up to an additional 30 days, i.e., until March 15, 2019, in which to respond to your request. Should your request be granted, the total for the estimated or actual fees owed, if any, will be included in our subsequent response. The reason for requiring additional time for a final response is checked below:

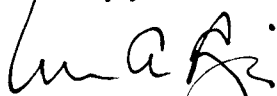
- Compliance with your request may require the redaction of certain information that is not subject to access under RTKL.
- Your request requires retrieval of one or more records that are stored at a remote location.

- A response by the mailing date of this letter could not be accomplished due to bona fide staffing limitations. In particular, _____.
- Your request is under legal review, which is necessary to determine whether a requested record is a "public record" for purposes of the RTKL.
- Your compliance with the following agency policies is required for access to the record(s): _____
- You must pay the applicable fees authorized by the RTKL.

X The extent or nature of the request precludes a response within the required time period.

Should you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely yours,



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From: 68538-29208024@requests.muckrock.com
Sent: Wednesday, February 6, 2019 4:28 AM
To: SP, PSP RIGHT TO KNOW
Subject: [External] Pennsylvania Right to Know Act Request: PSP: September 1987 - Dale Kerstetter surveillance video - Corning Glassworks
Attachments: PA_Right_to_Know_Request_Form.pdf

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Pennsylvania State Police
RTK Office
1800 Elmerton Avenue
Harrisburg, PA 17110

February 6, 2019

To Whom It May Concern:

Pursuant to the Pennsylvania Right to Know Act, I hereby request the following records:

Respectfully, this is a request for the release of the original surveillance video from the Dale Kerstetter disappearance in September of 1987. The Pennsylvania State Police is in possession of a grainy surveillance video from 1987 that shows the last known footage of Dale Kerstetter, along with a masked man who is suspected in robbing platinum from a Corning Glassworks factory.

This is a request for the release of that video, using the logic that the case is very cold, and that the release of the original video will generate more attention to the case, and possibly more leads.

Some additional background:

Kerstetter was a security guard at Corning Glassworks who disappeared around September 12th of 1987. The Corning Glassworks factory was robbed of platinum at the same time. There is a video from the night of the Kerstetter disappearance that shows him and a masked intruder.

A reenactment of this video was shown during an episode of the television program "Unsolved Mysteries" that aired several years after Mr. Kerstetter's disappearance.

This case remains unsolved, and is a topic of conversation on countless internet forums, podcasts, and YouTube videos.

Mr. Kerstetter's family has taken to giving interviews where they acknowledge that Mr. Kerstetter is either dead, or was likely complicit in the crime.

Members of the Kerstetter family have been openly cooperating with the media in hopes of generating additional coverage of this case.

This is the kind of cold case where the release of additional information - in this instance an old surveillance video - is bound to generate additional attention. Please consider this a request for the release of this video.

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Here is an example of the coverage this unusual case has received:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VBAZYQf365I>
<https://lostinfoundblogs.com/f/dale-kerstetter-gone-platinum>
<https://www.crimewatchpa.com/crimestoppers/316/cases/media-release-2305-missing-persontheft-dale-irwin-kerstetter-unknown-suspects-%E2%80%93-bradford>
http://www.oleantimesherald.com/news/kerstetter-disappearance-missing-platinum-more-than-years-ago-still-an/article_7e0eb8d8-c857-11e8-97cf-0764eaa5fbf9.html
<https://www.stitcher.com/podcast/ed-dentzel/unfound/e/56804314>

The requested documents will be made available to the general public, and this request is not being made for commercial purposes.

In the event that there are fees, I would be grateful if you would inform me of the total charges in advance of fulfilling my request. I would prefer the request filled electronically, by e-mail attachment if available or CD-ROM if not.

Thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation in this matter. I look forward to receiving your response to this request within 5 business days, as the statute requires.

Sincerely,

Robert Delaware

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E-mail (Preferred): 68538-29208024@requests.muckrock.com

Upload documents directly: https://www.muckrock.com/accounts/agency_login/pennsylvania-state-police-435/psp-september-1987-dale-kerstetter-surveillance-video-corning-glassworks-68538/?uuid-login=3efa3230-177c-4c36-9769-a66707ee0e30&email=RA-psprighttoknow%40pa.gov#agency-reply

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For mailed responses, please address (see note):

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STANDARD RIGHT-TO-KNOW REQUEST FORM

DATE REQUESTED: 2019-02-06

REQUEST SUBMITTED BY: ☒ E-MAIL ☐ U.S. MAIL ☐ FAX ☐ IN-PERSON

REQUEST SUBMITTED TO (Agency name & address): Pennsylvania State Police

1800 Elmerton Avenue, Harrisburg, PA 17110

NAME OF REQUESTER : Robert Delaware

STREET ADDRESS: Dept MR 68538 411A Highland Ave

CITY/STATE/COUNTY/ZIP(Required): Somerville, MA 02144-2516

TELEPHONE (Optional): _____ EMAIL (optional): 68538-29208024@requests.muckrock.com

RECORDS REQUESTED: **Provide as much specific detail as possible so the agency can identify the information.
Please use additional sheets if necessary*

See Attached

DO YOU WANT COPIES? ☒ YES ☐ NO

DO YOU WANT TO INSPECT THE RECORDS? ☐ YES ☒ NO

DO YOU WANT CERTIFIED COPIES OF RECORDS? ☐ YES ☒ NO

DO YOU WANT TO BE NOTIFIED IN ADVANCE IF THE COST EXCEEDS \$100? ☒ YES ☐ NO

**** PLEASE NOTE: RETAIN A COPY OF THIS REQUEST FOR YOUR FILES ****
**** IT IS A REQUIRED DOCUMENT IF YOU WOULD NEED TO FILE AN APPEAL ****

FOR AGENCY USE ONLY

OPEN-RECORDS OFFICER:

☐ I have provided notice to appropriate third parties and given them an opportunity to object to this request

DATE RECEIVED BY THE AGENCY:

AGENCY FIVE (5) BUSINESS DAY RESPONSE DUE:

***Public bodies may fill anonymous verbal or written requests. If the requestor wishes to pursue the relief and remedies provided for in this Act, the request must be in writing. (Section 702.) Written requests need not include an explanation why information is sought or the intended use of the information unless otherwise required by law. (Section 703.)*